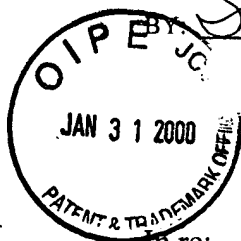


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In re:	Patent Application of	: Group Art Unit: 1615
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Appln. No:	09/131,076	: Examiner: Susan Tran
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Filed:	August 7, 1998	: Attorney Docket
		: No. 10052-1U1
Title:	COMPOSITION AND METHOD OF	:
	EFFECTING SUPERFICIAL CHEMICAL	:
	SKIN PEELS	:

**AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 25, 1999 (Paper No. 8), please amend the above application, without prejudice, as follows.

**In the Specification:**

At page 1, line 6, change "February 7" to --February 5--.

**In the Claims:**

In claim 7, line 2, change "from" to --of--;

In claim 13, line 2, delete "that is melasma";

Please cancel claims 15-19, without prejudice.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-14 and 20-22 are presently pending in the application.

The specification and claims have been amended to correct several minor errors which were noted during review of the application. In addition, a non-preferred embodiment has been cancelled from the claims.